

#### Getting Ready for the Future

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The purpose of the Worker Safety and Health Rule is to improve Worker Safety in the DOE Complex





- The Rule, 10 CFR 851, covers almost everyone
- The only exclusions are:
  - Activities already regulated by OSHA
  - The Navy Nuclear Program
  - Radiological hazards and nuclear explosives operations already regulated by 10 CFR 820, 830 or 835



- The Rule has no grandfather clause
- The Rule requires submission of Worker Safety Programs by February 26, 2007





#### What needs to be done:

- Taking inventory what contracts include Order 440.1a and what contracts do not
- Inventory must include contractors, subcontractors, and suppliers
- For each contractor, subcontractor, and supplier an effort needs to be mounted to determine status of compliance with the Order





What needs to be done (cont'd):

- A gap analysis needs to be performed to determine where the contractor is out of compliance. Contractors need to work with DOE to develop a path forward addressing all gaps.
- 10 CFR 851, subpart D, provides for consideration of variances to the Rule. Each contractor should consider use of the variance process where it is appropriate.





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